

MACHINE STATE STORAGE APPARATUS AND METHOD

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus and method for capturing and restoring a machine state of a computer system. The apparatus includes a PC card having a non-volatile memory for storing machine state information corresponding to a machine state and a controller coupled to the non-volatile memory to control the transfer of the machine state information to and from the non-volatile memory. The apparatus further includes a transfer component for directing the controller to coordinate the storage and download of the machine state information in order to capture and restore a computer system to the stored machine state.

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